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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant(s):	SIMMEN, et al.	Confirmation No.:	4586
Application No.:	10/572,968	Group Art:	1614
Filing Date:	March 21, 2006	Examiner:	Savitha M. RAO
Title:	HCV INHIBITING SULFONAMIDES		

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION PETITION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 2008, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

A petition for a one (1) month extension of time for responding to the said Official Action is herewith submitted.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge JOHNSON & JOHNSON Deposit Account No. 10-0750/TIP0054USPCT/YR for the costs incurred with this filing. If there are any additional charges or credits in connection with this filing, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge/credit the JOHNSON & JOHNSON deposit account listed above.